

## MESOTHELIOMA

may benefit patients with pleural mesothelioma. Intensive combined therapy using all three modalities is under way as an intercooperative group study, involving pleurectomy (recommended) and radiotherapy to 4,700 rads with or without doxorubicin therapy. (Written communication, June 1980; L. Wasser, L. Baker and M. Samson: Radiotherapy With and Without Chemotherapy for Malignant Pleural Mesothelioma Localized to One Hemithorax [Intergroup Mesothelioma Study] Eastern and Southwest Oncology Groups.) We recommend this protocol. Only with a prospective randomized clinical trial will the effects of the combined-modality treatment be measurable.

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